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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Junichi HARA, et al.

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EXAMINER:

FOR: IMAGE PROCESSING DEVICE

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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

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- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

References AO (JP 6-46243) and AP (JP 7-170390) on Form 1449 are discussed in the specification.

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	AO	6-46243	02/18/1994	JAPAN (with English Abstract)	YES	X
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